

MINUTES
HOUSE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, March 02, 2017
TIME: 1:15 P.M.
PLACE: Room EW05
MEMBERS: Chairman Perry, Vice Chairman Redman, Representatives Luker, Barbieri, Clow, Collins, Blanksma, Giddings, Kingsley, Manwaring, Zollinger, Chew, McCrostie
**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Reps. Redman and Barbieri
GUESTS: Kelli D. Brassfield, Idaho Association of Counties
Chairman Perry called the meeting to order at 1:17 pm.
MOTION: **Rep. Manwaring** made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2017, meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
S 1085: **Kelli Brassfield**, Idaho Association of Counties, presented **S 1085**, which standardizes Idaho's open meeting laws. There are contradictory sections in Idaho Code, stating special meetings must have at least 24 hours notice in one section and requiring five days notice in another. Ms. Brassfield noted most counties have regular weekly business meetings and a five day notice period for special meetings would dismiss their usefulness, as well as make it difficult to address sudden issues in a timely manner. The legislation amends Idaho Code to require 24 hours notice for all special meetings, thus ensuring open meetings across the state are consistent.
MOTION: **Rep. Blanksma** made a motion to send **S 1085** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Blanksma** will sponsor the bill on the floor.
ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 1:21 pm.

Representative Perry
Chair

Erica McGinnis
Secretary